

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of claims:

Claims 1-21 (canceled).

Claim 22 (new): A telecommunication terminal, comprising:

a recording device for recording acoustic user information;

a memory for storing acoustic effect data, the acoustic effect data including tone data;

a mixing device connected to both the recording device and the memory, such that in a mixing mode of operation the acoustic user information recorded by the recording device is provided with a background including the tone data stored in the memory; and

a control device connected to the mixing device for terminating the mixing mode of operation, after the mixing mode of operation has been started, upon expiration of a predefined operating period, wherein the predefined operating period substantially corresponds to one of a duration of play of the tone data and a multiple of the duration of play of the tone data.

Claim 23 (new): A telecommunication terminal as claimed in Claim 22, wherein the predefined operating period is stored in the memory.

Claim 24 (new): A telecommunication terminal as claimed in Claim 22, wherein the acoustic effect data includes characteristic tone data, and the telecommunication terminal further comprises a tone data generator for generating tone data from the characteristic tone data, with the tone data generator being connected to both the memory and the mixing device, and wherein the mixing device provides, in the mixing mode of operation, the acoustic user information with a background of the tone data generated from the characteristic tone data.

Claim 25 (new): A telecommunication terminal as claimed in Claim 22, wherein a repetition factor is stored in the memory, and the predefined operating

period substantially corresponds to a product of the repetition factor and a duration of play of the acoustic effect data.

Claim 26 (new): A telecommunication terminal as claimed in Claim 22, wherein the acoustic effect data includes distortion characteristics, and the mixing device distorts, in the mixing mode of operation, the acoustic user information using the distortion characteristics.

Claim 27 (new): A telecommunication terminal, comprising:
a recording device for recording acoustic user information;
a memory for storing acoustic effect data, the acoustic effect data including distortion characteristics; and
a mixing device connected to both the recording device and the memory, such that in a mixing mode of operation the acoustic user information recorded by the recording device is modified using the acoustic effect data stored in the memory, with the mixing device distorting, in the mixing mode of operation, the acoustic user information using the distortion characteristics.

Claim 28 (new): A telecommunication terminal as claimed in Claim 27, further comprising at least one of a start control element for starting the mixing mode of operation by a user and a stop control element for terminating the mixing mode of operation by the user.

Claim 29 (new): A telecommunication terminal as claimed in Claim 27, wherein the acoustic effect data is stored in an acoustic effect file in the memory.

Claim 30 (new): A telecommunication terminal as claimed in Claim 29, wherein the acoustic effect file includes at least one of a predefined operating period, a repetition factor and a duration of play of the acoustic effect data.

Claim 31 (new): A telecommunication terminal as claimed in Claim 29, wherein at least two acoustic effect files are stored in the memory.

Claim 32 (new): A telecommunication terminal as claimed in Claim 31, further comprising at least one selection control element for selecting at least one of the at least two acoustic effect files.

Claim 33 (new): A telecommunication terminal as claimed in Claim 29, further comprising at least one start control element for starting the mixing mode of operation using the acoustic effect data of the acoustic effect file assigned to the start control element.

Claim 34 (new): A telecommunication terminal as claimed in Claim 29, further comprising a housing have at least one exchangeable housing part.

Claim 35 (new): A telecommunication terminal as claimed in Claim 34, wherein the at least one exchangeable housing part includes at least one part of the memory, with at least one acoustic effect file being stored in the at least one part of the memory.

Claim 36 (new): A telecommunication terminal as claimed in Claim 34, wherein the at least one exchangeable housing part includes at least one housing selection element for selecting at least one acoustic effect file.

Claim 37 (new): A telecommunication terminal, comprising:
a housing have an exchangeable housing part;
a recording device for recording acoustic user information; and
a mixing device connected to the recording device such that in a mixing mode of operation the acoustic user information recorded by the recording device is modified, he mixing device being incorporated in the exchangeable housing part.

Claim 38 (new): A telecommunication terminal as claimed in Claim 37, wherein the mixing device, in the mixing mode of operation, at least one of provides the acoustic user information with a background of tone data and distorts the acoustic user information.

Claim 39 (new): A telecommunication terminal as claimed in Claim 37, further comprising at least one of a start control element for starting the mixing mode of operation by a user and a stop control element for terminating the mixing mode of operation by the user.

Claim 40 (new): An exchangeable housing part for a telecommunication terminal, the telecommunication terminal having a recording device for recording acoustic user information, comprising a mixing device connected to the recording device such that in a mixing mode of operation the acoustic user information recorded by the recording device is modified.

Claim 41 (new): A supplementary device for a telecommunication terminal having an acoustic recording device for recording acoustic user information, comprising a mixing device for modifying the acoustic user information, the mixing device including a mixer output area for feeding out modified acoustic user information, wherein the supplementary device may be attached to the telecommunication terminal such that, in a mixing mode of operation of the mixing device, the modified acoustic user information fed out by the mixer output area may be recorded by the acoustic recording device of the telecommunication terminal.

Claim 42 (new): A supplementary device for a telecommunication terminal as claimed in Claim 41, wherein the mixing device at least one of provides the acoustic user information with a background of tone data and distorts the acoustic user information.